

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
**DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

LUIS ANGEL CASTRO,

Case No.: 3:22-cv-00367-LRH-CLB

Petitioner,

**ORDER**

v.

WILLIAM REUBART, *et al.*,


Respondents.

*Pro se* Petitioner Luis Angel Castro has filed a Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus under 28 U.S.C. § 2254. (ECF No. 1-1 (“Petition”).) Petitioner has not properly commenced this habeas action by either paying the standard \$5.00 filing fee or filing an application for leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* (“IFP”). Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1914(a) and the Judicial Conference Schedule of Fees, a \$5.00 filing fee is required to initiate a habeas action in a federal district court. The court may authorize an indigent prisoner to begin a habeas action without paying the \$5 fee if he or she submits an IFP application on the approved form and includes three specific documents: (a) the prisoner’s financial declaration and acknowledgement showing an inability to prepay fees and costs, (b) a financial certificate signed by the prisoner and an authorized prison official, and (c) a copy of the prisoner’s account statement for the six-month period prior to filing. 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a); LSR 1-1, LSR 1-2. Petitioner will have 45 days from the date of this order to either pay the \$5 filing fee or submit a complete IFP application with all required documentation.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the initial screening of Petitioner Luis Angel Castro’s Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus (ECF No. 1-1) under the Rules Governing Section 2254 Cases is deferred to until such time as he has fully complied with this order.

1 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within 45 days of the date of this order, Petitioner must  
2 file an IFP application that includes a: (a) financial certificate signed by Petitioner and an  
3 authorized prison official, (b) financial declaration and acknowledgement signed by Petitioner,  
4 and (c) copy of Petitioner's inmate account statement for the six-month period prior to filing.  
5 Alternatively, Petitioner must pay the \$5 filing fee within 45 days. If Petitioner decides to pay the  
6 filing fee from his inmate account, he must arrange to have a copy of this order attached to the  
7 check for the filing fee. Petitioner's failure to timely comply with this Order will result in the  
8 dismissal of the petition without prejudice and without further advance notice.

9 DATED this 17th day of August 2022.

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